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In re application of:

Inventor: Cheng J. Cao, et al. : Docket No. DAM 581-02

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For: Methods For Determining The Presence Of Staphylococcal Enterotoxin A Gene In A  
Sample

## RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2007, please amend and reconsider  
this application as set forth below.